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Date: November 14, 2006 Name: Andrew D. Stover, Reg. No. 38,629 Signature:

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: Van Gompel, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/624,333

Filed: July 22, 2003

For: DISPOSABLE  
UNDERGARMENT HAVING A  
SLIT AND METHOD FOR THE  
MANUFACTURE THEREOF

Examiner: Gibson, Keisha L.

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Sir:

Attached is/are:

- ☒ Amendment and Reply to August 14, 2006 Office Action
- ☒ Declaration Under 37 CFR 1.131 with Tabs 1-3
- ☒ Declaration of Andrew D. Stover with Tab 1
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard

Fee calculation:

- ☐ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ Small Entity.
- ☐ An extension fee in an amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for a \_\_\_\_\_-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).
- ☐ A petition or processing fee in an amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(\_\_\_\_\_).
- ☒ An additional filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

					Small Entity			Not a Small Entity	
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Add'l Fee	or	Rate	Add'l Fee
Total	18	Minus	27	0	x \$25=			x \$50=	0
Indep.	6	Minus	3	3	x 100=			x \$200=	\$600
First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim					+\$180=			+ \$360=	0
					Total	\$		Total	\$600

Fee payment:

- ☒ A check in the amount of \$600.00 is enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.
- ☐ Payment by credit card in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (Form PTO-2038 is attached).

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- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

Respectfully submitted,

November 14, 2006

Date

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